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OUTFITTERS.
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DRESS SHIRTS,
WASHING SCARVES,
&c., &c., &c.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

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Sole Agents for the UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LTD. LONDON.
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., General Agents.

ESTABLISHED 1881.

NEW SERIES No. 692. 日一十月八年三十二緒光 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1897. 二拜禮 號七月九英港香 THIRTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM.

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL $10,000,000
RESERVE FUND $7,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS...$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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MANAGER:
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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th August, 1897. [8

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION;
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [9

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £375,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
" " " 6 " ... 3½ "
" " " 3 " ... 2½ "
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. [31

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital .....£ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq. | Chan Kit Shan, Esq.
H. Stutterheim, Esq. | Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
J. T. Datts, Esq. | Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
Acting Chief Manager,
GEO. MUNRO.
Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per Cent. per Annum.
Hongkong, 11th August, 1897. [7

Insurances.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

CAPITAL £2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY.....£2,480,053
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIA.....£ 757,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1897. [74

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [28

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS. 600,000 EQUAL TO $833,333.33
RESERVE FUND $318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YEUK-MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.
MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.
HEAD OFFICE, 5 & 5, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1896. [26

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED $1,000,000
The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c. Policies payable at all Ports of the world, payable at ports of no Agents.
CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE
No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1897. [30

Intimations.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, on SATURDAY, the 25th September, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1897.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 25th September, both days inclusive.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1897. [1351

THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING AND DYEING COMPANY, LIMITED.

CERTIFICATES for SHARES ($20 Paid-up) in the above Company are now READY, and can be obtained at the OFFICES of the Undersigned in exchange for the Bankers' receipts.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1897. [1340

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATE of 11 Shares numbered 3968/3978, standing in the Register of this COMPANY in the name of HETTIE BUDD TOMES, having been LOST, Notice is hereby given that a duplicate certificate for the said 11 Shares will be issued one month hence and that the original certificate, unless produced within that period, will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th August, 1897 [1267

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

TO AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS AND OTHERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all AERATED WATER BOTTLES and SYPHONS bearing the Company's Name, and Trade Mark are its property solely and that any Manufacturer using the same or any Person or Persons other than the Customers of the Firm found in possession of the same will be proceeded against as the law directs.
HENRY HUMPHREYS,
for Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th August, 1897. [1276

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of BUSINESS CONTRIBUTED during the Half Year ended 30th June, 1897, on or before the 15th September, on which date the ACCOUNTS will be CLOSED.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1897 [1306

NOTICE.

THE SINGER MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed SOLE AGENT in HONGKONG for the above-named Company, has now in Stock a variety of SEWING MACHINES, also necessary Implements and Accessories, which are now on View at his Office No. 1, Duddell Street.
GEO. R. STEVENS.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1897. [1361

KUHN & KOMOR,
JAPANESE FINE ART CURIOS,
21 & 23, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG,
35, WATER STREET, YOKOHAMA
and
36, DIVISION STREET, KOBE.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1896. [457

Hotels.

WINDSOR HOTEL,
HONGKONG.

THIS ESTABLISHMENT, situated in the elegant Building known as "CONNAUGHT HOUSE," offers First-class Accommodation to Residents and Travellers.
Passenger Elevator, from Entrance Hall to each Floor, in charge of experienced Attendant.
Favourable Arrangements made for Families and for Monthly or Extended Periods.
P. BOHM,
Proprietor & Manager.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1895. [35

THOMAS'S GRILL ROOM.

THIS Establishment has always enjoyed a high class reputation for Liberality in Menu, Quality of Food and Perfection of Cuisine.
THIS REPUTATION WILL BE MAINTAINED.
Fresh Dairy Produce, FRUIT and other supplies are regularly imported from the United States, Canada and Australia. BEEF from Kobe and TURTLES from the Straits.
The WINES, SPIRITS and MALT LIQUORS, comprising all brands in general demand, are the Best shipped to the Far East.
In addition to the BAR, GRILL and DINING ROOMS, the upper floors are arranged so as to provide PRIVATE ROOMS suitable for DINNERS or SUPPERS, &c.
PICNIC and BATHING PARTIES supplied with light refreshments at a moment's notice.
ICE-CREAM from 1 P.M. to 11 P.M.
COLD MEAT SUPPERS from 9 to 11.30 P.M.
THOMAS'S GRILL ROOM.
FREDERICK BISHOP,
Manager.

NEW VICTORIA HOTEL.
ROTISSERIE.
MEALS A LA CARTE.
CHOPS, STEAKS, &c., &c., at any time between 7.30 A.M. and 11.30 P.M.
MONTHLY BOARDERS at Moderate Rates.
MADAR & FARMER,
Proprietors.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1897. [34

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON, &c.	Rosetta	F. N. Tillard	Noon, 9th Sept.	See Special Advertisement
LONDON	Shanghai	E. P. Bishop	About 16th Sept.	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 28th August, 1897. [5

Hongkong, 1st May, 1897. [116

ENQUIRE AT MANAGER'S OFFICE HONGKONG HOTEL FOR PARTICULARS OF
REDUCED
BOARD AND LODGING RATES FOR CERTAIN ROOMS.
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W. POWELL & CO.
GREAT SALE.
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1897. [19

THE CLUB HOTEL
5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

HOTEL METROPOLE,
1, TSUKIJI, TOKYO.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT. Experienced English matron in attendance.
The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggages and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.
VISITORS have the option of messing either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.
Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.
THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.
E. V. SIOEN, Manager, YOKOHAMA. | L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO [48

SCHIEDAM SCHNAPPS.
TRADE MARK.
Hong Name:—YUEN WO.
TELEPHONE, No. 135.
$7.00 per Case of 15 Bottles.
H. PRICE & CO.,
(LATE GANDE, PRICE, & CO.)
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1897. [16

Intimations.

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.
1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "EXCELSIOR," HONGKONG, A. B. C. Code. | TELEPHONE, No. 35.
THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN QUEEN'S ROAD.
TIFFIN AT 1 P.M. DINNER AT 8 P.M.
ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.
For further Particulars apply to
THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895 [24

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.
SOLE AGENTS IN HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LIMITED, LONDON,
CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.
MANUFACTURERS OF THE
Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS and PACKINGS.
HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS of all kinds.
"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.
ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best quantities.
ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.
SUPERINTENDENT.....THOS. SKINNER.
1245] DODWELL CARLILL & Co., General Agents.

W. BREWER & CO.
SPLENDID SELECTION OF
GENTLEMEN'S
BROWN BOOTS, BROWN SHOES, BLACK BOOTS, BLACK SHOES.
one quality only "THE BEST."
TENNIS SHOES FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.
SLIPPERS, &c., COURT SHOES, &c., DRESS SHOES, &c.
Hongkong, 16th July, 1897. [18

PEAK HOTEL.
1350 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.
A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL adjoining the Tramway Terminus. FINE HEALTHY LOCATION, Commanding Magnificent View of the City and Harbour, the Mainland of China, and numerous Islands. Cool southerly breezes in Summer, with perfect protection against the North-East winds in winter.
A Covered Way is being constructed from the Station to the Hotel.
THE HOTEL IS NOW UNDER EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT.
GEO. J. CASANOVA, Manager.
CITY OFFICE, No. 7, Duddell Street. [1353

PORT WINE.
THE CELEBRATED GUEDES' "3 GRAPES" BRAND.
In cases of 1 doz. bot. .....$24 per case.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th August, 1897. [26

EX. P. & O. S. S. "JAPAN"
TELEPHONE—75.
SHERRIES—Pale, Golden and Brown.
PORTS—Light Tawny—Old Tawny & Dry.
WHISKIES—Scotch.
EXTRA SPECIAL LIQUEUR
SCOTTISH "PE KEN."
IRISH—Power's.
CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1897. 14

AMANO NATURAL MINERAL WATER.
THE MOST PLEASING TO THE TASTE.
ONCE TRIED, ALWAYS PREFERRED.
SAMPLE BOTTLES MAY BE HAD FROM
L. M. ALVARES & CO.,
SOLE AGENTS IN CHINA.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [443

THE PHARMACY.
HAVE NOW A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF ATKINSON'S PERFUMES AND ARE SOLE MANUFACTURERS OF
WHITE HEATHER BOUQUET.
Sole Agents for VIN PASTEUR the great French Nerve Tonic.
Also Sole Agents for the now well-known JAPANESE TABLE WATER
TANSAN.
FLETCHER & CO.
and
CARMICHAEL & CO.
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To-day's Advertisements.

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of the *Telegraph's* report of the
ARMY AND NAVY
BOXING TOURNAMENT.
Can be obtained at
THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE,
No. 6, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 7th September, 1897.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE No. 2 OF 1892,
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF GEORGE SPALDING AND JOHN STEELE ROBBINS, BOTH CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES, AND BOTH RESIDING AT 361, EL DORADO STREET, STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, INVENTORS, FOR LETTERS PATENT FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE WITHIN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG OF AN INVENTION FOR "IMPROVEMENTS IN PLOWS AND ROTARY DISK PLOWS" FOR WHICH HER MAJESTY'S LETTERS PATENT WERE GRANTED ON THE 30TH DAY OF JUNE, 1896, TO THE SAID GEORGE SPALDING AND JOHN STEELE ROBBINS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PETITION, SPECIFICATION and DECLARATION required by the above cited Ordinance have been duly filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and that it is the intention of the said GEORGE SPALDING and JOHN STEELE ROBBINS, by MATTHEW JOHN DENMAN STEPHENS, their duly authorized Agent and Attorney to apply at the Sitting of the Executive Council hereinafter mentioned for LETTERS PATENT for the exclusive use within the said Colony of Hongkong of the above-named Invention.

And Notice is hereby also given that a Sitting of the Executive Council before whom the matter of said Petition will come for decision, will be held in the Council Chamber, at the Government Offices, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 13th day of September, 1897, at 9.30 A.M.

Dated the 31st day of August, 1897.

MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS,
18, Bank Buildings, Hongkong,
The Agent and Solicitor for the said
GEORGE SPALDING
and
1370] JOHN STEELE ROBBINS.

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.
No. 79.

NOTICE is hereby given that SATURDAY next, the 11th September (8th Moon, 15th Day) being the CHINESE MID AUTUMN FESTIVAL, will be observed as a HOLIDAY, at the Kowloon Customs Office, Opium Examination Office and Stations.

All Examination of Cargo and Clearances of Junks will be suspended on that date.

H. M. HILLIER,
Commissioner of Customs for
Kowloon and District.

Custom House,
Kowloon, 7th September, 1897. [1371

DIVING DISPLAY.

T. WILLIAMS (of the famous firm of Siebe, Gorman & Co.) Sub-marine Engineers, will on SATURDAY, the 11th instant, at 4 P.M. give a DIVING DISPLAY with one of the firm's suits, between Bay View Hotel and the Mica Works. Among other feats he will walk under water from the Mica Works to Bay View (1½ mile) and show how long he can remain under water after the air pump stops. Mr. WILLIAMS will also be glad to give lessons to Amateurs in the Art of Diving.

For further Particulars, apply
BAY VIEW HOTEL.
Hongkong, 7th September, 1897. [1372

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship
"ZAFIRO,"
Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at 5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th September, 1897. [1357

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 351.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on
TUESDAY,
the 14th day of September, 1897, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 28th August, 1897. [1369

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 14th day of September, 1897, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Three Lots of CROWN LAND at Hung Hom, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sub-Lot	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	E.	S.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
		Hung Hom In Lot	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	No. 214	W. of Market	150	150	47.6	47.6	7,125	50	2,781
2	216	"	150	150	47.6	47.6	7,125	50	2,781
3	217	"	150	150	47.6	47.6	7,125	50	2,781

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No. 6, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 7th May, 1897. [765

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

BY APPOINTMENT.

WINES & SPIRITS.

WE beg to call attention to our PRICE LIST OF WINES AND SPIRITS as below:—

As these are all selected and bought first hand by our London House we save any intermediate profits and are thereby enabled to supply the best qualities at Moderate Prices.

PORT.
(*For Invalids and General Use*).

	Per doz. Case.	Per Bot.
B VINTAGE, superior quality, Red Capsule	$14.40	$1.20
C FINE OLD VINTAGE, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule	16.20	1.35
D VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE, extra superior, Violet Capsule (*Old Bottled*)	20.40	1.70

SHERRY.

	Per doz. Case.	Per Bot.
B SUPERIOR PALE DRY, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	$10.80	$0.90
C MANZANILLA, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, White Capsule	12.00	1.00
CC SUPERIOR OLD DRY, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, Red Seal Capsule	12.00	1.00
D VERY SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule	14.40	1.20
E EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (*Old Bottled*)	20.40	1.70

B, C, and C are excellent dinner-Wines or for invalids and delicate stomachs. D and E are after-dinner Wines of a very superior vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.

	Per Case, 1 doz. Qts.	Per Case, 2 doz. Pts.	Per Bot. Qts.	Per Bot. Pts.
B ST. ESTEPHE, Red Capsule	$ 6.96	$ 7.56	$0.60	0.35
C ST. JULIEN, Red Capsule	9.00	9.60	0.75	0.40
D LA ROSE, Red Capsule	12.96	13.92	1.10	0.60
SAI TE FOY	7.20	7.92	0.60	0.35
CUSSAC	9.60	10.44	0.80	0.45
CHATEAU D'ANGLADE	13.20	14.40	1.10	0.60
CHATEAU HAUT BRION LARRIVET	18.60	19.20	1.60	0.80
CHATEAU MOUTON D'ARMAILHACQ	31.00	22.20	1.80	0.90

Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape, and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with cheap Wines.

BRANDY.

	Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bot.
**** *A* HENNESSY'S OLD PALE, Red Capsule	$18.00	$1.50
**** *B* SUPERIOR VERY OLD COGNAC, Red Capsule	21.00	1.75
***** *C* VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC	24.00	2.00
V.O. *D* HENNESSY'S FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule	36.00	3.00
V.V.O. *E* FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1862 Vintage	48.00	4.00

All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.

	Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bot.
SCOTCH—		
A THORNE'S BLEND, White Capsule	$10.80	$0.90
B WATSON'S GLENORCHY MELLOW BLEND, Blue Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	10.80	0.90
C WATSON'S ABELOUR-GLENLIVAT, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	12.00	1.00
D WATSON'S H.K.D BLEND OF THE FINEST SCOTCH MALT WHISKIES, Violet Capsule	14.40	1.20
E WATSON'S VERY OLD LIQUEUR SCOTCH WHISKY, Gold Capsule	15.00	1.25
DANIEL CRAWFORD'S FINEST VERY OLD SCOTCH WHISKY	14.40	1.20

Our lowest priced Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. We recommend our customers not to be deterred by the lowness of price from trying them all. For a soda whisky, Thorne's Blend and Watson's Glenorchy are equal to any. Abelour-Glenlivet is a very old Peat Whisky (smoky) that could not be replaced in stock at the price. D and E are too well known to need comment.

	Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bot.
IRISH—		
A JOHN JAMESON'S OLD, Green Capsule	$12.00	$1.00
B JOHN JAMESON'S FINE OLD, Green Capsule	15.00	1.25
C JOHN JAMESON'S VERY FINE OLD, Green Capsule	18.00	$1.50

All these are very fine and old. C has been stocked in Hongkong in wood for over 20 years, there being little sale for Irish Whisky in the Colony.

	Per Case, 1 doz.	Per Bot.
AMERICAN—		
GENUINE BOURBON WHISKY, FINE OLD. Red Capsule, with our Name and Trade Mark	$15.00	1.25

GIN.

	Per Case. 1 doz.	Per Bot.
A FINE OLD TOM, White Capsule	$ 7.20	$0.60
B FINE UNSWEETENED, White Capsule	7.20	0.60

RUM.

FINEST OLD JAMAICA, Violet Capsule	$15.00	$1.25
GOOD LEEWARD ISLAND	6.00	0.50
GOOD LEEWARD ISLAND	$2.50 per Gal.	

LIQUEURS.

BENEDICTINE. CURACOA. CHARTREUSE. CREME DE CACAO. PEPPERMINT. BLACKBERRY BRANDY. MARASCHINO. HERRING'S CHERRY CORDIAL.
Dr. SIEGERT'S ANGOSTURA BITTERS.
AND
AERATED WATERS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 11th August, 1897. [

BIRTH.

At Chefoo, on the 29th ultimo, the wife of J. J. BLACK, of a daughter.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1897.

TELEGRAMS.

(Special to *Hongkong Telegraph*.)

THE NEW CHINESE LOAN OF £16,000,000.

IMPORTANT RAILWAY CONCESSIONS

SHANGHAI, September 7th.

Mr. Frossel, the special agent of the Jamieson-Hooley Syndicate, has arrived here from Peking. He has make quite satisfactory arrangements with the Tsungli Yamen regarding the loan of £16,000,000 to the Chinese Government.

His main object in going to Peking was to arrange some details relating to railway concessions before final settlement of the contract for the loan. He settled these matters satisfactorily.

The money is ready to be placed at the disposal of the Chinese Minister in London as soon as the contract has been finally ratified by the Tsungli Yamen.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE AFRIDI EXPEDITION.

LONDON, September 5th.

General Sir W. S. A. Lockhart left Brindisi yesterday, having been hastily summoned to command the Afridi Expedition.

INDIAN FINANCE.

Lord George Hamilton offers to buy ten days' sight drafts on Calcutta or Bombay to the extent of a crore of rupees. Tenders to be opened on the 7th.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

The peace negotiations are at a standstill, France and Russia being disinclined to join in guaranteeing the indemnity loan and Great Britain being indisposed to guarantee it alone.

THE IRISH POTATO CROP RUINED.

Heavy rains in the west of Ireland have completed the ruin of the potato crop, and it is believed that the coming winter will be the worst one since 1847.

TURKEY AND THE POWERS.

The Porte has addressed a note to the Ambassadors of the Powers requiring the Governor of Crete to be an Ottoman and that the Turkish garrison be retained.

(From *Australian Star*.)

THE PACIFIC CABLE SCHEME.

LONDON, August 10th.

Mr. Reid, Premier of New South Wales, has arrived at Vancouver.

In the course of an interview with a reporter from one of the Canadian papers Mr. Reid said that Canada had caused the hitch in the carrying out of the proposed Pacific cable. The Governments of New South Wales, Queensland and New Zealand were ready to support the scheme, and Victoria would probably join, but the British Government could not act in the matter until some definite proposal had been made by Canada.

Mr. Reid urged that *prompt action should be taken*, or the Pacific cable scheme would be dropped in favour of that of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, which has proposed to lay a cable from Perth, in Western Australia, to Cape Colony.

(From *Kobe Chronicle*).

RINDERPEST EPIDEMIC.

TOKIO, August 28th.

Rinderpest has been prevalent in the districts of Osaka and Nara for some time past and the disease having now broken out in Kioto and Mie prefectures, a notification has been issued by the Agricultural and Commercial Department requesting the various prefectural authorities to take measures to prevent the spread of the disease.

THE NEW U.S. TARIFF.

TOKIO, August 28th.

A telegram has been received by a foreign firm at Yokohama, stating that the United States Government, having decided to impose 10 per cent. extra duty on silk goods imported through Canada, put the rule into force on the 18th inst.

FIGHTING IN FORMOSA.

TOKIO, August 29th.

A private letter from Kagi, Formosa, states that thousands of rebels are assembled in the hills in the neighbourhood of the port of Unsui. Early on the 16th inst. the rebels were attacked from all sides by a military and police force and hundreds of them were killed. The rebels still hold the hills in the neighbourhood.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is $10.78 per £.

THE Peiho has again burst its banks between Tientsin and Yangching. The district is of course flooded and cart traffic suspended *sine die*.

CAPTAIN Lin Chih-yau, commander of the Chinese cruiser *Shenghang*, was stabbed at Foochow a few days ago and is not expected to live.

A BRANCH of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has been opened at Chemulpo, at the office of Messrs. Holme, Ringer & Co., the manager being Mr. W. G. Bennett.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

THE new Chinese Minister to Germany, Li Ching-Yi, left Peking on 29th August on a visit to his home in Shantung, after which his Excellency will proceed to Shanghai to embark for Europe.

IT was rumoured in Tientsin a few days ago that Sheng Taotai has obtained permission to retire into private life. It is probable that the story is just one of those "periodical bunders" for which Tientsin has earned a very high reputation.

JOSEPH HAMMOND, P.C. 13, prosecuted a boatman at the Magistracy this morning for having his boat moored within 100 yards of the low water mark between 9 p.m. and daylight. He proved his case and a fine of $5 was inflicted.

TWO new steamers of about 2,000 tons each, built for the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., are expected to leave Europe shortly for China; they are the *Kwangping* and *Siping*. The former is being finished off at Kiel, and the *Siping* is from the yards of Scott & Co.

MR. T. WILLIAMS announces an interesting Diving Display with a latest Siebe-Gorman dress on Saturday the 11th inst. at 4 p.m. His feats will include a walk from the Mica Works to Bay View Hotel, and their novelty should make them decidedly interesting.

THE Central Fire Brigade turned out at about 5 a.m. to-day in response to an outbreak at No. 101 Wellington St. It was found that a number of crackers had been fired on the premises and it was this that alarmed the residents. No damage was done to the house or contents.

As some newspapers have doubted the ownership of the rich Klondike Goldfields, the United States Government officials have, after examining the charts, expressed their conviction that, so far as the fields as defined in the latest reports are concerned, they are situated at least 35 miles within British territory.

IT is with much regret we (*Kobe Herald*) announce that Captain H. Sommers, of the China Mutual liner *Ophir*, was seized with a paralytic stoke while visiting Captain Kemp on board the *Moyune* this forenoon (16th August), and is now dangerously ill. The sufferer was taken to the International Hospital.

THE Shanghai Feather Cleaning Co., Ld., has started well, the shares offered to the public being much over applied for. The new factory buildings on the Soochow Creek are now being roofed over, and all the necessary machinery—much of it made in Shanghai—is ready for immediate use.

DIRECTOR Chang, from Peking, is at present in Shanghai in connection with the erection of cotton mills at Hsu Kochwang, near Tongshan, on the Tientsin Railway. The mills will be managed by the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. The Director is at present visiting the foreign-owned cotton mills at Shanghai to gather information as to their working.

WE notice that the Kowloon Ferry launches have, since we wrote on the subject, been fitted with side awnings abaft as well as forward of the wheel, so that the coolies will now be in some measure protected from the sun and rain, a privilege hitherto only enjoyed by the first-class passengers. We are glad that such a necessary step has been taken and trust that there will now be no more complaints of the coolies crowding to one side and giving the ferry boats an uncomfortable list. How long is it likely to be before the owners of other ferry launches follow the example set them by the enterprising proprietors of the Kowloon service?

THUS the *North China Daily News* of the 3rd inst:—With reference to the grave state of affairs in Canton owing to the scarcity of grain there, news has been received at Shanghai to the effect that two transports which had been sent by the provincial government to the Yangtze ports to load rice had arrived in Canton, and that the mandarins were selling this rice at cost price to the people, each man being allowed to buy only ten catties at a time. The stock will soon be exhausted, however, and it is probable that the transports will be sent again at an early date to load rice from the Yangtze. The government, is is said, loses something like $1,000 on each steamer-load at the present rate of exchange.

AMONGST the passengers who arrived at Shanghai by the *China* from New York was the Rev. S. L. Baldwin, D.D., of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, who is accompanied by his wife. Both Dr. and Mrs. Baldwin spent many years of their life in mission work at Foochow, but for some time past the Doctor has been Recording Secretary for his Society in New York. Dr. Baldwin has been sent out to inspect the various branches of the Methodist Episcopal Mission in China, and will first proceed to Tientsin, where a conference is to be held. Dr. Baldwin will afterwards have the opportunity of being present at the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Foochow Mission, to which he went when it was but eleven years old.

THE *China Gazette* is very angry with the Shanghai and Hongkong Post Office officials and holds forth thusly:—The Hongkong Post Office deserves the special attention of the Grand Inquisitor or some other personage capable of stimulating useless and hide-bound departmental fogies who do nothing but rob the taxpayers of their pay, for they do not earn it. Time after time the home mails arrive here, unsorted from that precious colony and it takes the one-horse show on the Peking Road hours, and often days, to get the letters and papers ready for delivery. This morning at 8.30 the French mail steamer *Yarra* arrived, but up to 4 o'clock only a few casual stray letters were delivered. We succeeded in dragging half a dozen papers out of the P. O. by 3 o'clock by dint of constant worrying at the window, while the "staff" (heaven save the mark!) were struggling in a hopeless dazed don't-care-a-hang-its-not-my-business sort of way with the mass of printed matter inside. Several merchants have complained to us that up to a late hour, 4.30 p.m., they have not received their commercial papers by this morning's mail and they must write their usual weekly letter and reports without them!

SEVERAL members of the Police Force have been asking a *Telegraph* reporter when they are to get their Jubilee "treat," one of the duly fixed items on the programme of the late celebration. We are sorry to say the scribe is not good at conundrums and gives it up. The navy men, we understand, got *trinkgeld* to the extent of 50 cents each. Could not the Poor Box be drawn on for the police?

AT 6 a.m. yesterday acting Sergt. Graham was on water police duty at Tai-kok-tsui. He saw a boat with 1½ tons of coal in it and had it removed to Tsim-tsa-tsui station. This morning a boatman claimed it and offered as explanation that he had received it from the American ship *Governor Robie*, giving a chit as proof. Fred Malum, chief officer of the ship, by whom the chit was signed, denied that the chit was given for the coal asked by the Police. He said it was given for sweepings. The boatman was brought up at the Magistracy this morning and charged with unlawful possession. He had two previous convictions against him, one for stealing a ton of coal and the other for unlawful possession of 10 piculs of coal. He was fined £10, in default three months' imprisonment.

SOME time ago we called attention to what appeared to be an oversight on the part of the authorities in not providing anything at the new Murray Pier that steam launches could hang on to. This wharf is now being chipped and receiving the last few finishing touches preparatory, we suppose, to its being thrown open for general traffic. Even at this late stage, however, there is no appearance of anything in the shape of ring-bolts or rails near the steps that will offer a purchase to a boathook, and how the authorities can imagine launches will be able to get alongside without it we fail to comprehend. Also, the wooden fenders which have been bolted on to the stonework do not appear to protrude far enough to prevent a launch scraping against the projecting foundations of the wharf at low water. We have heard it remarked that the new Murray Pier is likely to prove a good deal more ornamental than useful, and it really appears upon the face of things as if such will be the case.

THE following pretty little story is (says the *Empire*) vouched for as coming from authoritative sources:—The fourth officer of the *Scot*, Mr. Clifford, who so gallantly attempted to rescue the late "Barney" Barnato, formed some time ago, during the outward passage of the steamer a great attachment for the daughter of a South African millionaire, who reciprocated his affection. The father and mother of the young lady, who is well known in London society, utterly declined to consider such a preposterous thing as the marriage of their daughter to a mere "fourth officer," whose attachment looked very hopeless under the circumstances. By a strange coincidence, however, the mother, father, and daughter were passengers on the *Scot* when the unfortunate Mr. Barnato committed suicide, and were spectators of Mr. Clifford's brave attempt at rescue. So struck was the father by Mr. Clifford's conduct that his hostility began to wane, and on Mr. Wooll Joel—on behalf of Mr. Barnato's relatives—handing Mr. Clifford a cheque for £1,000, and promising to use his great influence to further the young man's advancement, finally broken down altogether. The marriage is to take place within six months.

JAPAN exchanges of the 25th ult., contain details of the arrest at Hakodate of several Chinese belonging to a British man-of-war. It appears that eight Chinese cooks in the service of a British man-of-war, and four Chinese residents in Hakodate, were found gambling in an inn by the police, and were arrested and sent to the Hakodate Police Court, after examination by the police. The British Consul demanded their release, on the payment of a fine, to which the Procurator would not agree. Correspondence is now being carried on in connection with the matter. The British Minister in Tokio addressed the Foreign Office pointing out that of the Chinese now detained in the Hakodate prison, several are the crew of a British man-of-war and are therefore under British jurisdiction. The Japanese Government has no right to punish them in any way, and the present act of the authorities is regarded as highly improper. To this communication the Japanese Foreign Office has replied that the offence in question was committed on land, and that the crew of a British man-of-war may be punished for offences committed outside the man-of-war, when such members of the crew are not registered as British subjects.

A SWARTHY Indian constable named Ali Dean, No. 719, was placed in the dock at the Magistracy to-day, charged with assault. The complainant, a contractor, with a battered hat, said that at 9.15 p.m. yesterday he was on the Praya pier at Tai-kok-tsui and called for a boat to take him to Yau-ma-ti. Defendant, who was on duty and was in plain clothes, was also on the pier and threw stones at the boat. Complainant asked what he meant by it and defendant gave him a blow on the face and knocked him down. He got up and, on asking why he had been assaulted, he received another blow which again knocked him down. A Sikh constable was on duty there and refused to assist him because he was a constable, and advised complainant to go and see the Inspector of the district, which he did. Inspector [illegible] evidence that the complaint was [illegible]. He reported the matter to the Superintendent of Police who sent the [illegible] to the Magistrate. The defendant said the complainant was trying to [illegible] boat as he was. He refused [illegible] boat and defendant [illegible]. The complainant [illegible] with him. He had [illegible] defence. [illegible]

IT is reported in the *Times of India* that a sea-serpent has been seen off Bassein on the Burma coast. The monster was 60 feet long, proportionately thick, and of a yellowish blue colour. It had two horns, and was sighted by passengers on the *Harura*. It was chasing porpoises with jaws wide open, showing fangs fearful to contemplate.

IT is understood that the Samuel Syndicate, which is now about to exploit north Borneo for oil, is prepared to spend a quarter of a million sterling on the work. The European staff numbers 40, of whom 33 are skilled American or Canadian oil prospectors. There are, says the Straits *Free Press*, large quantities of boiling machinery now on the spot, as well as five miles of metre railway, which will be used to take the machinery about the country, as required, the rails in rear being picked up and laid ahead again at a rapid pace as the rolling-stock with the machinery and stores is moved on. As mentioned before, the steamer *Cruikie* which unfortunately sank the *Elbe* in collision, is to act as tender to the syndicate, and will run between Kotia and Singapore at intervals.

A PUNY scandal in the Straits is commented on by the *Straits Times* as follows:—A very grave scandal has been discovered and exposed in connection with the recent race meeting of the Perak Turf Club, held at Taiping. The details of the scandal are sufficiently well known to all racing men in the Straits, and such details to non-racing men are not of much interest. Suffice it, therefore, to say that a well-known man who, at one time, held office in the Government service of the Malay States, has been adjudged guilty by the Stewards of the Perak Turf Club of an offence which one might expect from a dishonest trainer, but not from one who was considered to be an English gentleman. The result of the investigation conducted by the Committee of the Perak Turf Club was that this man has been warned off their course for a period of five years, and the jockey, who was connected with the scandal, has been suspended for a period of twelve months.

OWING to the intensity of the electric light used on board of men-of-war, men are frequently affected with eye complaints, which in some cases have led to total blindness. It has been observed that eyes in which the iris is not heavily charged with pigments—that is to say, gray and blue eyes—are more likely to be injuriously affected than brown eyes. These eye troubles are ascribed to two causes—viz., the intensity of the light and the action of the ultra-violet rays. Oculists recommend the interposition between the eyes and any powerful light of a transparent substance which will intercept the ultra-violet rays, such as, for instance, uranium glass, which is yellow. The French naval authorities supply dark-blue glasses for the use of those men who have to do with search lights, &c., and the cases in which injury has been caused to the eyes were those of men who had neglected to use these spectacles which, however, do not appear to afford any protection against the ultra-violet rays.—*Revue du Cercle Militaire.*

MR. Quong Tart, who is known throughout the Antipodes as a philanthropist of the largest-hearted kind, has been distinguishing himself in connection with Jubilee charity work in Sydney lately. On the 4th ult. he entertained a large party of gentlemen who were associated with him in arranging for a Jubilee Charity Carnival to have been held on 24th. In proposing the health of Mr. Quong Tart, Mr. Chanter, M.L.A., said he had known him for many years. While always keeping in touch with his fellow countrymen—and who could blame him for that—he never forgot that he was a citizen of New South Wales. (Applause.) In the sacred cause of charity his name had become a household word. There was no satisfactory display in regard to what he deserved. It was enough for Mr. Tart to know that the cause was a charitable one, and he was ready to give with a free hand. Their host did credit to the great land whence he came—(applause)—and although here he was sometimes thought to be a Scotchman—(laughter)—it was as a citizen of New South Wales he was known best. (Applause.) The Chinese residents of New South Wales—in fact, of Australia—should feel proud of the compliment that occurred the petition Mr. Tart did. Other nations might well take pattern by the Chinese. The committee had only [illegible] it was necessary [illegible] carnival to receive a response to [illegible]. The Law, M.L.A., also [illegible] Mr. Tart [illegible] known as the Post Office [illegible] a valuable accession to [illegible] minister. Mr. Quong Tart [illegible] supported that [illegible] addressed [illegible] translated his [illegible] benefit of this [illegible] who was acting [illegible] an ovation. [illegible] press friendship [illegible] drank his health. [illegible] of assistance to the [illegible] they had undertaken [illegible] fellow-members of the Lit. Tik Tong [illegible] po H. (Applause.) Mr. Tart then addressed a few words to them [illegible] their native tongue.

THE school of [illegible] world (says the *Japan Mail* of the 31st ult.) is not the least [illegible] present day. [illegible] whereas [illegible] speaking a foreign [illegible] that they are in still [illegible] victor in an infant [illegible] the public [illegible] of the [illegible]

THE BEEF QUESTION.

Under date 28th August our Tientsin correspondent reports as follows:—

You must have been slightly puzzled by my telegram *re* "no beef" sent on the 27th and I take this, the first opportunity, to explain matters. A few days ago the cooks of Tientsin announced that no more beef would be procurable for four or five days, and it was generally believed that some Mahommedan festival or temporary regulation was the cause of the non-supply. On Friday, however, it was found that the native city had been placarded with a proclamation issued by the Tientsin Magistrate, which I think is sufficiently important and interesting to send you in its entirety, as it appeared in the *P. & T. Times* this morning:—

PROCLAMATION OF THE TIENTSIN MAGISTRATE

"Farmers depend for their existence upon the tilling of the land, which is in the main done by means of cattle, which beasts were ordained to further the interests of agriculture.

"It is therefore manifestly reprehensible to slaughter such animals merely to realize a temporary profit, and, according to Chinese law, those who wilfully kill draught oxen are liable to be punished either by bamboeing or banishment; sentence of death even being passed upon the persistent offender. This law ought to be strictly observed. On taking over office, however, I was surprised to find that a band of lawless persons had established bullock pens, and were engaged in the slaughter of cattle. I have been reluctant to punish them without giving them warning and reminding them that they are breaking the law, and have consequently several times issued proclamations drawing attention to the fact.

"A petition has now been addressed to me from Tsao Ching-tsun, a minor official, stating that owing to my proclamations several persons have given up the butchery business, and engaged in another calling, but that others persist in carrying on the slaughter, and I was requested to issue another proclamation.

"I accordingly again issue this notification prohibiting this wanton and cruel slaughter of beasts, and I have, moreover, instructed the Yamen runners to be on the look-out to identify offenders. All people in this district are commanded to give due heed to this notification. Hereafter, all butchers must make up their minds to change their calling. There are many ways in which they can earn their living, and there is no reasonable excuse for their being engaged in the slaughter of animals, which is against the laws of the country and a violation of the laws of humanity. Anyone found disregarding this notification in future, and continuing this business, will be punished without mercy.

"Those who read take warning!

"CH'EN HUNG PAO,
"*District Magistrate.*"

The butchers are, of course, very much excited at their livelihood being interfered with, and have drawn up a sort of counter proclamation, which they have had published in the *Peking and Tientsin Times*. Their arguments are to the effect that the slaughtered cattle are distinct from the draught cattle, and that they enjoy the right by treaty of supplying foreigners with beef.

Those who have heard of the supply of beef being thus summarily stopped, have felt inclined to laugh, declaring their belief that all would be well in a few days. But a careful perusal of the above will show, I think, a serious attempt on the part of someone to cut off the foreigner's staple food. There can be no question that if the officials choose they can cause an enormous amount of inconvenience in this way, and I rather fancy the instance in point will give more trouble than is at present anticipated.

That there is some such law as the Magistrate refers to, is, I believe, the case, although he has of course perverted its meaning. Having some sort of legal justification, however, it can be seen at a glance that his power in the matter is considerable. He has succeeded in closing the beef shops, and if he chooses to carry his authority and intimidation to the extent of forbidding cattle to be sold to foreigners for slaughter, there is no doubt a mandate to that effect would be obeyed. It appears a case for prompt and very determined Consular representation, on the ground that by curtailing our most important food supply China is violating the spirit if not the letter of her treaties. As is so often the case, the Consuls here were the last to hear of all this, and I believe none of them knew of the substance of the proclamation until they saw it in the paper to-day.

It is too soon to say what course will be pursued, but I will, of course, keep you informed. Meantime the situation is, no soup, no "bif tek," as our French neighbours call it, by literal translation, no roast sirloin, and no—but we won't talk of it, the subject is too painful for contemplation by the average Britisher. If the siege holds out long we shall not only have no beef, but "no nothing else," as the mutton supply is at all times small, and will be inadequate, I fear, to meet the demand of a beef-famined community, even with half its number at the charming summer resort of Peitaiho.

WHAT THE BUTCHERS SAY TO THE MAGISTRATE'S PROCLAMATION.

The following in reference to the Magistrate's proclamation was handed to the local paper for publication by the Tientsin butchers:—

"The slaughter of cattle was not prohibited in former times, but since the Han Dynasty an Imperial decree was issued instructing the people to till their land with oxen, and consequently to preserve them for agricultural purposes. Nevertheless, there have at all times all over the country been butchers engaged in the slaughter of cattle for food. This is because the cattle so killed are the wild cattle found in Mongolia and Honan, and are quite distinct from the draught cattle, being commonly known as "dish cows" which, like sheep and pigs, are meant for human food.

"There are, however, certain unemployed students, whose names are known to us, who endeavour to get a living by creating disturbances and unlawfully extorting money, and a record of their performances can be seen in the Fu and Hsien Yamêns. On the 26th of this [Chinese] month these men petitioned the Chih Hsien to issue a proclamation forbidding the slaughter of cattle, which he did, being ignorant of their designs. As an immediate result of this, the eight beef butchers have had to stop their business. The officials appear to have forgotten that beef is one of the staple foods of foreigners, and that the treaties permit of Chinese supplying foreigners with beef. We may anticipate therefore that foreigners will take great exception to this proceeding, and that the officials will consequently get into great trouble."

THE BEEF QUESTION IN HONGKONG.

Tientsin is, unfortunately, not in possession of a monopoly of difficulties connected with the supply of beef to Europeans. We in Hongkong have cause to take the matter into consideration for on the 28th ultimo (the very day on which the Tientsin paper published the translation of the No Beef Proclamation) the Hongkong Cow Dealers' Corporation notified by an advertisement in the *Daily Press* that certain Taotais in the neighbouring province of Kwangtung had issued proclamations forbidding the export of cattle from Nam, Tung and Lin and that consequently they would have to raise the price of beef. The Cow Dealers' notification reads as follows:—

"NOTICE.

"We, Cattle Dealers in the Colony of Hongkong, beg to inform the Public that the Cattle formerly slaughtered for consumption in the Colony were purchased from travelling merchants of the Tung Kong, Nam Kong, and Pak Hung Districts, but during this year the said merchants have been twice robbed and their stock plundered, and they have now ceased to bring their animals. We thereupon petitioned H.E. the Governor to request the British Consul at Canton to obtain a permit for one Abdool Razack to purchase cattle at Pak Kong, Nam Hung and at other places in the neighbourhood, but unexpectedly the Nam, Shiu, Lin Taotai has issued a proclamation forbidding the Export of Cattle from those places. Upon hearing this the natives, on the 14th day of the 7th Moon, plundered the said Abdool Razack of over one hundred animals. The intelligence was immediately wired to the British Consul at Canton, and was duly reported to the Viceroy, but the matter is still under consideration. Now, owing to the scarcity and greatly increased price of Cattle, which are only procurable from Tung Kong (those from Sai Kong, Nam Hung and Pak Kong having ceased to arrive) and in consequence of the ever increasing demand for beef, we feel *obliged to raise our prices* from 1st September."

THE COW DEALERS' CORPORATION."

Hongkong, 28th August, 1897."

We have made careful inquiries into this matter and find that two years ago there was great mortality among the cattle in certain districts whence our supply of cattle is largely obtained, and that there is some reason for believing that a scarcity of cattle in certain districts has something to do with the difficulties mentioned in the dealers' notification. We are glad to learn, however, that the supply of cattle to Hongkong has not fallen off during the months of June, July and August, but has in fact increased considerably as compared with the imports in the corresponding months of 1896 and 1895. One can hardly blame the Chinese for adopting self-protective measures of the kind indicated *if they are necessary*, but the truth and the whole truth as to the necessity for the action of the native officials in this as in other matters is not usually obtainable. Our Consul at Canton can, we think, be trusted to go into the matter very carefully and we may therefore look forward with confidence to full particulars respecting the true state of affairs being forthcoming in the near future.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Tiptan*, Captain Geo. Ramsay, from Sydney and ports, arrived in harbour last night. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our Colonial exchanges:—

LONDON, August 16th.

Severe hand-to-hand fighting occurred during the taking of Abu Hamed, on the Upper Nile, by the British expedition. The Dervishes lost very heavily.

The Count of Turin challenged Prince Henri of Orleans to a duel, the challenge arising out of the charges of cowardice against the Italian troops in connection with the Abyssinian campaign which were made by Prince Henri. General Albertini, who had challenged Prince Henri of Orleans, gave way to the Count Turin, and the duel took place near Paris yesterday. The conflict was sharp and determined, and lasted twenty-seven minutes. At first Prince Henri vigorously assumed the offensive until he was touched in the right breast. Then the Count of Turin was wounded twice in the back of the hand. In the fifth assault Prince Henri was wounded in the abdomen, when the seconds stopped the duel. The injury to Prince Henri of Orleans is not very serious. The people of Italy are delighted with the result of the duel, and the Emperor William of Germany has complimented the Count of Turin.

The Turks allege that some Armenians who came from Persia have committed horrible outrages in the district of Van, killing 116 women and children.

The widow of the late Señor Canovas, Premier of Spain, has been created a Duchess, and is to receive a pension of £1,600 a year. The funeral of the late Premier was carried out on a magnificent scale. His widow on the occasion exclaimed, "I forgive the assassin, because I know that Señor Canovas had a great heart." Golli, the assassin of Señor Canovas, is defiant, and repeats his statement that other and more startling murders are to follow. Golli has been tried for the murders and sentenced to death.

BRISBANE, August 17th.

The old horse *Spondulix* won the high jump at the Brisbane Exhibition on Friday, clearing 6ft. 6in. easily.

SYDNEY August 17th.

At Auburn, near Sydney, a young woman named Nellie Willis fired two shots from a revolver at a man named Ernest M'Faden, with whom she was walking, wounding him slightly. She afterwards committed suicide by shooting herself.

MELBOURNE, August 17th.

The Caulfield Grand Steeplechase was won by *Bettomart*, *Zwopper* second, and *Montrose* third. Eleven horses started.

LONDON August 18th.

The Ameer of Afghanistan has issued a firman forbidding his subjects to join in the holy war against the British in India.

The Ameer has also censured the Governor of Jellalabad for permitting Afghans to participate in the recent attacks on the British forces on the north-west frontier of India.

It is stated that there are now 35,000 Spanish soldiers in the various hospitals in Cuba.

An officer and seven men were wounded through the bursting of a gun on board the training cruiser *Champion*.

An American torpedo flotilla is assembled in the Gulf of Mexico, which is suspected to be in readiness for operations against Cuba.

The French newspapers insinuate that the Count of Turin wore a cuirass in the recent duel with Prince Henri d'Orleans.

A pigeon has been shot in the Arctic Sea bearing a message from Andree, the aeronaut.

C. Horet, rode 584 miles 1610 yards at Paris in 24 hours.

BRISBANE, August 19th.

The distance between Chinchilla and Brisbane, 156 miles in a direct line, has been covered by carrier pigeons in 3hrs. 3min.

Ben Tillett, the labour agitator, arrived in Brisbane last night.

AUCKLAND, August 19th.

Several attempts have been made to recover the mails from the wrecked steamer *Tasmania*, but without success.

BRISBANE, August 11th.

Hans Wittman, whom the police have arrested in the belief that he is Ferdinand May, who is wanted for alleged forgery and defalcations in Germany to the extent of about a quarter of a million sterling, was up at the police court this morning. Detective Toomey, who arrested him at Maryborough, gave formal evidence as to the arrest. In reply to the magistrate Wittman said he knew the English language sufficiently to understand the purport of the detective's evidence. Sub-Inspector Nethercote, who prosecuted, asked for a remand for a week, stating that the German Consul at Brisbane had received information from the Consul-General in Sydney to the effect that a warrant would arrive at Sydney by the *Orizaba* on August 19 and would then be forwarded to Brisbane. In reply to the magistrate Wittman said he had no questions to ask. He was accordingly remanded till August 18th. Bail was not applied for. He did not appear in the least concerned, and was removed in custody. It is considered by those who saw him to be very doubtful whether he is the person wanted.

LONDON, August 17th.

Many employers in Sheffield, Manchester, Glasgow and the Midland counties are joining the employers' federation against the engineers' strike, and a great extension of the lock-out is likely to take place immediately.

Sir George Grey, formerly Governor of New Zealand, and who has been ailing for some time past, shows an improvement in health. He is now able to be driven out in his carriage, and can thus obtain necessary exercise.

NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

TIENTSIN, August 30th.

Mr. E. C. Dalton, the enterprising American who is going to start a foreign butchery here, returned from his summer holidays yesterday, and will probably try to make beef "hay" while cattle can be bought, but his success is by no means assured. For one thing his butchery is not half built yet.

I am sorry to say that my last information about the new loan is being contradicted again, and the latest is to the effect that the Hooley-Jameson loan is not fixed yet. Mr. Foscell, the representative of the syndicate, is now in Peking working the oracle.

A great find of stolen property, taken from cargo boats, etc., has been made at Tungchow. We are constantly hearing of cases being opened on the Taku Tug and Lighter Company's lighters, or in course of transit to Peking, and enough furs, silk, jewelery, wine and candles has been discovered buried at Tung Chow to explain a good many "missings."

I see it has been announced in American papers that U. S. Consul Read, of this port, has been shifted, but that the Consul thinks the announcement wrong. We hope it is because we all like Read, but at the same time I have "ma doots." He's a Democrat and, in the natural order of things American, ought to go. But for once I hope the order will be violated.

By the bye, Mr. Stahlgren, after being arrested in Yokohama on a charge of larceny, has been, I hear, released owing to insufficiency of evidence against him. The evidence was presumably of a moral rather than an actual nature, though I did hear that a good deal of it was contained in a number of princely packing cases with which he was travelling. I believe the Danish authorities on this side wished the matter hushed up or he would have been arrested sooner.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

THE KOWLOON FERRY SERVICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—I desire to call attention to a very grave matter connected with the Kowloon Ferry Service. What provision is there for saving life in case of an accident? If either of the boats were badly damaged in collision she would go down like a stone. There may be two or three, perhaps six, life-buoys, but I venture to say there is not a life-belt on board. When at home at the Naval and Fisheries Exhibitions I saw numerous samples of light comfortable seats which could be instantly used as life rafts. Sea-going ships that carry coolies here should be provided with a belt for each passenger. Some of these days Hongkong will be shocked by a grave disaster to one of these boats and then we shall hear—"Who would have thought it?"

Yours truly,
A PASSENGER.

Hongkong, September 7th, 1897.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

The Company to dredge the Segama and its tributaries for gold has been formed, a dredger has been ordered, and an experienced mining engineer has been engaged.

The new clearing of the Batu Putih Tobacco estate, on the Kinabatangan river, presents a most attractive appearance. Some 125 fields are showing plants in full leaf of first class quality. It will probably be one of the best crops ever seen on the Kinabatangan.

A couple of coolies, deserters form Koyah, had the impudence to steal and kill the manager's stud-bull a beautiful animal expressly imported at high cost from India. Their excuse to the magistrate was that they had "nothing else to eat." They have found that the feast has had somewhat unpleasant results.

The wild plisang, which grows in immense quantities in Province Dent, has been found to be *musa textilis* and the sample of hemp made from it and sent home is real Manila hemp, and worth about £18 per ton. Mr. M. C. Thomson, of Glasgow, has formed a company to work and has already taken steps to start the industry.

The first locomotive for the railway was to be shipped on the 25th June, so it should be at Labuan shortly.—*B. N. B. Herald.*

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

(Before their Lordships Sir J. W. Carrington, Kt. C.M.G., Chief Justice, and Mr. A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge).

September 7th.

Cheong Yau To, Cheong Yau Kung and Lam Shi, appellants, and the Bank of China and the Straits, Limited, respondents.

The appellants, the defendants in the Court below, moved that the judgment pronounced by the Chief Justice on the 21st December, 1896, be reversed and that the costs in the Court below be paid by the plaintiffs and all further proceedings stayed.

Mr. E. Robinson (instructed by Mr. F. B. Bowley) appeared for the appellants and Messrs. J. J. Francis, Q.C., and E. H. Pollock (instructed by Mr. G. C. C. Master) appeared for the respondents.

His Lordship the Chief Justice read a lengthy judgment in which he reviewed the evidence of both sides in detail. The sugar shares held by the bank as security against the defendants had never yielded a surplus or advance on the sum of $75,112.19 and it was very unlikely that they would do so. His Lordship could not say the defect was due on the part of the Bank. He quoted parallel cases from law records and said that, after fully traversing the facts of the case, he had come to the conclusion that the judgment of the court below should be affirmed and that the appeal should be dismissed.

The Puisne Judge also read a written judgment, wherein, after discussing the evidence, he said he thought that the appeal should be dismissed. The only defence was ingenious argument and he was of opinion that the appeal should be dismissed with costs.

THE V. R. C. AQUATIC SPORTS.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

The prizes won at the recent Aquatic Sports of the Victoria Recreation Club were presented by Mr. A. P. MacEwen in the Club Gymnasium yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large number of members and their friends. Comdr. W. C. H. Hastings, R.N., Chairman of the Club, in calling upon Mr. MacEwen, said that gentleman was one of the oldest members of the Club and his name figured on one of the boards in the room as a competitor many years ago. There were giants in those days and Mr. MacEwen was one of them. He had presented the cup for the championship of the colony, which showed that he still took a great interest in the welfare of the institution.

Mr. MacEwen said—Captain Hastings and gentlemen, I think the presence of such a large assemblage here this afternoon shows the great interest that is taken by the community generally in this popular club. The sports were the best that have been held in the colony for several years and the attendance was also the largest. (Applause.) I think the introduction of military teams in the water polo competition was a great success, and the play in the tie between the Club premier team and the members of the West Yorkshire Regiment was one of the keenest fights I have seen, and I have heard several expressed opinions in the colony that it would give pleasure if another match could be arranged. (Applause.) I think that Mr. Alves, Mr. Carvalho, and Mr. Lapsley are all to be congratulated on their success.—(Applause)—and it is to be regretted that Mr. St pani was unable to compete owing to indisposition, but I trust we shall see him in our sports on the next occasion. I am also sorry to see that the name of Lammert was absent from the list of competitors. Considering the unfavourable and unhealthy condition of the bathing site and the tumble-down state of the premises the Club has shown great vitality. I am given to understand that there are 500 members of this Club. I do not think that the subscription to the Club is very heavy, namely $10 a year. There is another good point, and that is, there is no class distinction. (Applause.) All respectable members of the community are eligible for election. (Applause.) I do not suppose any of us come out to a climate like this for change of air or the benefit of our health, and the best way to ensure that health is by indulging in the exercises that this Club affords in the way of swimming, rowing, and gymnastics. Thanks to the steady advocacy of His Excellency the Governor and Commodore Holland, both of whom warmly encourage manly pastimes in the colony, I am informed that the new reclamation scheme of the Admiralty is not likely to cause any change of site—(applause)—as the foreshore in front of the Club premises is likely to be granted to the Club. I would like to mention a little incident that occurred on the night of our sports twenty-three years ago. The evening was as bright and as calm as it is now and several of us had been out rowing. A typhoon suddenly swept the colony and between 10 and 12 o'clock that night H.M.S. *Opossum* broke from her moorings, demolished the bath house, went clean through the present building, smashed up all our boats, and landed herself on the cricket field. The old *Princess Charlotte* tried to follow suit. Well, we sustained a heavy loss and naturally tried to recover something from the Naval authorities. We received plenty of sympathy but no cash, although I remember well that the then Commodore (Parish) did his best for us. I mention this incident because if there is any doubt about getting the site the Admiralty might take this previous disaster into consideration. (Applause.) When your new Club is started it will be necessary to erect a proper closed-in bath, a boathouse, and a gymnasium. This, of course, means money, and I must say that in a community such as this the club deserves public support. It is a well known fact that at home in all well regulated cities, both in America and England, there are municipal baths which obtain support from the municipality. We have no municipality here, but I think the Government would give its support to any application that might be made for pecuniary support should it be necessary after the members have shown that they have done all they can themselves. It has afforded me a deal of pleasure to come here to-night, and I would like to say, in closing, that I am sure the members of this Club are greatly indebted to their Chairman, Captain Hastings, for the very great interest he takes in this club. (applause). I am also sure you will agree with me that Mr. Reid, the hon. secretary, has fulfilled his duties to the satisfaction of the members. (Applause.)

Mr. MacEwen then distributed the prizes, after which loud and long continued cheers were given for him and for the Club's officers.

THE HONGKONG FIRE BRIGADE ORDINANCE.

The Ordinance to further amend the Hongkong Fire Brigade Ordinance, 1868, was read for the first time at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council. Section 1 cites the title, section 2 the construction, and section 3 repeals sections 5 and 10 of Ordinance No. 4 of 1868. The other sections are as follows:—

In lieu of section 5 the words following shall be substituted:—

(*a.*)—The Superintendent may, from time to time, make regulations for the general management and discipline of the Fire Brigade and may impose penalties not exceeding ten dollars, or punishment by confinement to station for a period not exceeding one week, for any breach of any of such regulations; but such regulations shall have no force or effect until they have been approved by the Governor in Council and published in the *Government Gazette*.

Any member of the Fire Brigade who refuses to pay any such penalty or to undergo any such punishment as may be inflicted by the Superintendent for breach of any of such regulations shall be liable to instant dismissal by the Governor.

(*b*)—The Superintendent may, from time to time, without reference to the Governor, but subject always to the disallowance or the revision of the Governor, make such Departmental orders as he may consider necessary for the efficient working of the Fire Brigade, the due regulation of the internal economy thereof, and the carrying out of the daily routine of such Brigade.

5.—This Ordinance shall come into operation on such day as may be fixed by a notice in that behalf published in the *Government Gazette*.

OBJECTS AND REASONS.

It has been found by successive Superintendents that, for the maintenance of discipline, the Superintendent should have the power of punishing the men under his command within certain limits. The amending Ordinance confers such power.

It has been found that the vesting of the sole power of making regulations in the Governor in Council is a cumbersome system which does not work well in practice.

The framing of regulations and departmental orders by the Superintendent, subject to the approval, revision, or disallowance of the Governor, has therefore been provided for. Similar power, as regards the Police Force, was conferred upon the Captain Superintendent ten years ago by sections 19 and 20 of Ordinance 14 of 1887.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

SEPTEMBER.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893.

Barometer	29.818
Thermometer	80.1
Humidity	77
Rainfall	8.58

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.82	29.71
Thermometer	86	88
Humidity	72	68
Rainfall	.....	.....

TO-DAY.

Tuesday, 7th September, 1897.

Chinese—*11th of 8th moon of 23rd year of Kwang-hsü.*

Jewish—*10th Elul, 5657.*

Mohammedan—*9th Rabia II, 1315.*

Sun—*Rises* ..... *5hr. 45min.*
Sets ..... *6hr 10min.*

High water—*Morning* ..... *5hr 15min.*
Afternoon ..... *9hr. 16min.*

Low water—*Morning* .....*none.*
Afternoon ..... *1hr. 19min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1807—Copenhagen taken by the British.

1891—Outrage on Dr. T. A. Greig at Kirin, Manchuria.

1893—Australian barque *Florence Trent* wrecked on Brewster Point with a loss of 20 lives.

TO-MORROW.

Wednesday, 8th September, 1897. (Nativity of the B.V. Mary.)

Chinese—*12th of 8th moon of 23rd year of Kwang-hsü.*

Jewish—*11th Elul, 5657.*

Mohammedan—*10th Rabia II, 1315.*

Sun—*Rises* ..... *5hr. 46min.*
Sets ..... *6hr 9min.*

High water—*Morning* ..... *6hr. 32min.*
Afternoon ..... *9hr. 2min.*

Low water—*Morning* ..... *0hr. 7min.*
Afternoon ..... *2hr. 0min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1855—Sebastopol taken.

1867—Great typhoon in Hongkong; much damage and many lives lost.

1879—Colonial Defences Committee appointed in England.

MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW,—8th September.

3 p.m.—Race for the St. Leger Stakes.

THURSDAY,—9th September.

American mail due.

11 a.m.—English mail closes.

Noon.—*Rosetta* sails for Europe.

FRIDAY,—10th September.

Indian mail due.

The transfer books of the Douglas Steamship Co close till the 25th inst., both days inclusive.

SATURDAY,—11th September.

French mail due.

11 a.m.—American mail closes.

Noon—*China* leaves for San Francisco.

SUNDAY,—12th September.

Australian mail due.

SHARE MARKET.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, 167 per cent. prem.; Unions, $740; Steamboat Co., $32; Indo-Chinas, $47; Douglases, $66; Punjoms, $5.25; Oilvers, (B) $7½; Dock Co., 218 per cent. prem.; Investment Co., $75; Hongkong Hotel Co., $48½; Green Islands, (new issue) $14½; Soy Chees, Tls. 580.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

American (*Belgic*) 9th inst.
Indian (*Sutlong*) 10th inst.
French (*Sydney*) 11th inst.
Australian (*Yamashiro Maru*) 17th inst.
Australian (*Guthrie*) 17th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of Japan*) 15th inst.
English (*Mirzapore*) 20th inst.
American (*Peru*) 22nd inst.
German (*Preussen*) 23rd inst.
French (*Caledonien*) 28th inst.
American (*Coptic*) 1st prox.
English (*Thames*) 5th prox.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 6th prox.
German (*Sachsen*) 21st prox.

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SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Tsinan	steamer,	from	Port Darwin
Rosetta	"	"	Shanghai
Fushun	"	"	Shanghai
Loongmoon	"	"	Shanghai
Congo	"	"	Manila
Tatwan	"	"	Canton
Sunghiang	"	"	Manila
Lady Furness	"	"	Singapore
Bushmills	"	"	Japan
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Victoria	"	"	Tacoma
Hofjun Maru	"	"	Nagasaki
Cowrie	"	"	Nagasaki
Hailoong	"	"	Coast Ports
Catherine Apcar	"	"	Straits
Tosa Maru	"	"	Europe
Chiyuen	"	"	Shanghai
Fushun	"	"	Canton
Loongmoon	"	"	Canton
Ancyra	ship	"	Manila

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 350.

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MONDAY,
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By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 28th August, 1897. [1355

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1897. [1308

THE OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1897.
(Subject to Alteration.)

Flintshire ...	Saturday.....	11th September.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE"

will be despatched hence for PORTLAND, OREGON, *via* KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 11th instant, calling at NAGASAKI if sufficient inducement offers.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE; and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1897 [1352

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"

Captain Nelson, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 15th September, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—*Return Tickets issued by this Company* to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN S. S. Co. and *vice versa*.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th August, 1897. [1331

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR GENOA, LONDON AND LIVERPOOL, VIA STRAITS AND USUAL PORTS OF CALL.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for GLASGOW, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)

THE Company's Steamship

"NINGCHOW,"

Captain H. Willis Jones, will be despatched as above on or about the 21st September.

To be shortly followed by
S.S. "OOPACK" and "OANFA."

For Freight, &c., apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1897. [1330

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain J. S. Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at Noon

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th September, 1897. [1356

SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"MACHEW,"

Captain Farrell, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1897. [1363

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

THE Company's Steamship

"KWEIYANG,"

Captain Outerbridge, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1897. [1339

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TSINAN,"

Captain Ramsay, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1897. [1364

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"NESTOR,"

Captain Asquith, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1897. [1316

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"PATHAN,"

to sail about 10th September, 1897.
S.S. "BRAEMAR" to sail about 24th Sept., '97.
S.S. "MOGUL," to sail about 9th October, '97.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1897. [1155

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.)

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KURRACHEE, ADEN, SUEZ, MASSOWA, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE, FIUME, AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, ADRIATIC, and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA VALERIE,"

Captain S. Leva, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 11th instant.

Cargo will not be received on board after 3 P.M. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1897. [1148

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"MACDUFF,"

Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 11th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1897. [1359

SAILING VESSEL.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A1 British Ship

"FALLS OF DEE,"

Lock, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1897. [244

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A I British Bark

"HEATHBANK,"

McKechnie, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 17th June, 1897. [957

FOR BALTIMORE.

THE 3/3 L. I. American Ship

"ISAAC REED,"

Captain Waldo, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 26th August, 1897. [1322

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON.

THE French Barque

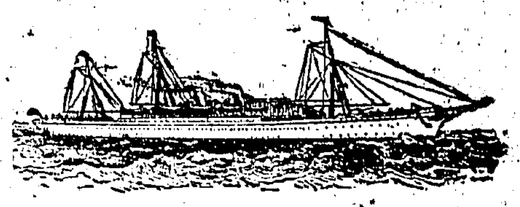
"DUGUESCLIN,"

Dijole, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 30th August, 1897. [1333

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

1897.  1897.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 29th September.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 27th October.
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 24th November.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey (avoiding the rough passages generally experienced in the latitudes further South) and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street. [3

Hongkong, 1st September, 1897.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE; VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Tuesday, 21st Sept., at Noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Saturday, 9th Oct., at Noon.
Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Thursday, 28th Oct., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"BELGIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 21st September, 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States and Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1897. [2

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS,
PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
SOAP MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S RAHTJEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION RED HAND BRAND.
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DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES
&c., &c., &c.

Sole Agents for
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM
and
P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH WHISKY, &c.

EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK
AT
REASONABLE PRICES.
Hongkong, 12th May, 1897. [1a

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Saturday, 11th Sept., at Noon.
Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Thursday, 30th Sept., at Noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	Tuesday, 19th Oct., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CHINA"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 11th Sept., 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same be specified.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

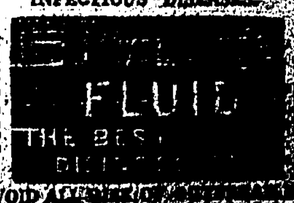
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1897. [1

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

SANITARY SOFT SOAP.



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Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [1a

Mails.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"ROSETTA,"

Captain F. N. Tillard, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 9th September at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This Steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. *Oriental* leaving that Port on the 2nd October for London direct.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1897. [5

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS: ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday...	14th Sept.
Preussen	Tuesday...	12th Oct.
Sachsen	Tuesday...	9th Nov.
Bayern	Tuesday...	7th Dec.
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday...	4th Jan.

ON TUESDAY, the 14th day of September, 1897, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain O. Clipper, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 11th Sept. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 13th Sept., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 13th Sept. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Lilien can be washed on board.

For further Particulars apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1897. [1263

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILWAY COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and the Interior, and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON £47.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Table, Doctor and Stewardess carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK £45.

The Railroad travelling across the same on the American Continent, Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE Mountains. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to Europe may proceed by any of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA £42.

Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Olympia	2,868	Tuesday ...	Sept. 28.
Columbia	2,595	Tuesday ...	Oct. 19.
Tacoma	2,610	Tuesday ...	Nov. 9.
Victoria	3,167	Tuesday ...	Nov. 30.
Olympia	2,868	Tuesday ...	Dec. 21.
Columbia	2,595	Tuesday ...	Jan. 11.

THE Steamship

"OLYMPIA"

Captain [illegible], will be despatched at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 28th September, instant, for VICTORIA (B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), *via* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

[illegible] Japan, Pacific [illegible] and United States [illegible]

[illegible] Northern Pacific Railway [illegible] Canadian Pacific [illegible]

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